

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows. Attached is a marked-up copy showing changes to the claims.

Please amend page 37 (second full paragraph) as follows:

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Fig. 5(A) is an explanatory view for filling adhesive in a long capillary tube, Fig. 5(B) is an explanatory view for inserting an optical fiber into the long capillary tube of Fig. 5(A), Fig. 5(C) is an explanatory view for curing adhesive, and Fig. 5(D) is an explanatory view for adhering an optical fiber.

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Please amend the paragraph bridging pages 38 and 39 of the specification as follows:

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Fig. 11(A) is an explanatory view of a manufacturing method of the prior-art optical fiber stub. Fig. 11(B) is another explanatory view of a manufacturing method of the prior-art optical fiber stub.

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